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House Resolution 166

By: Representatives Epps of the 128th, Buckner of the 130th, Nix of the 69th, and Smyre of the 132nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and commending the City of Warm Springs
- 2 upon its commemoration of the 125th anniversary of his birth; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Franklin Delano Roosevelt became the 32nd President of the United States of
- 4 America in March, 1933, in the depths of the Great Depression and was reelected for an
- 5 unprecedented three more terms; and
- 6 WHEREAS, FDR, as he was affectionately known, died in office in April, 1945, less than
- 7 one month before the surrender of Germany in World War II, at his beloved Warm Springs,
- 8 Georgia, Little White House; and
- 9 WHEREAS, despite an attack of polio which paralyzed his legs in 1921 at age 39, President
- 10 Roosevelt persisted with strength and courage to lead the American people during the strains
- 11 of economic crisis and world war; and
- 12 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt visited Warm Springs, Georgia, in 1924 to partake of the
- 13 town's naturally heated mineral springs to treat his polio related paralysis and found
- 14 considerable relief from his illness; and
- WHEREAS, President Roosevelt was enchanted with Warm Springs; he built the only home
- 16 he ever owned there, and from that time forward, his modest six-room cottage became known
- 17 as the Little White House; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it was from Warm Springs that President Roosevelt is believed to have
- 19 developed New Deal politics that affected the entire nation; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Franklin Delano Roosevelt was one of our nation's greatest presidents, and his
- 21 legacies continue beyond enumeration, including the continuation of the hospital he founded
- 22 for the treatment of polio patents to an internationally recognized comprehensive medical and

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1 vocation rehabilitation facility known as the Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for

- 2 Rehabilitation in Warm Springs, Georgia; and
- 3 WHEREAS, January 30, 2007, is the 125th anniversary of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birth,
- 4 and it is abundantly fitting and proper for the House of Representatives to recognize this
- 5 signal event.

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- 7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 8 this body recognizes the unmatched contributions of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, one of our
- 9 nation's greatest leaders, and commends the City of Warm Springs upon its outstanding
- 10 commemoration of the 125th anniversary of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birth.
- 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the mayor of the City of
- Warm Springs.